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BEISSWENGER et al.

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**METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR RESISTANCE
SEAM WELDING OF A FOIL AND AT LEAST
ONE FOIL SUPPORT OF A FUEL CELL
SYSTEM**

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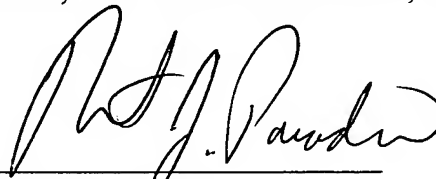
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It is respectfully requested that the references cited in the accompanying PTO-1449 form be considered and made of record. It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are patentable over all of the references made of record at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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